

Aviso importante acerca de sus beneficios. Por favor llame a la Oficina del Distrito si tiene alguna duda o pregunta. También puede solicitar servicios gratuitos de un intérprete.

Important Changes Coming to Your Medical Coverage

You are receiving this letter because you or someone in your household is receiving medical coverage through the New Hampshire Health Protection Program (NHHPP). On **January 1**, **2019**, per state law, the Granite Advantage Health Care Program replaces NHHPP.

What does the transition to Granite Advantage mean?

- Coverage from the Qualified Health Plans (QHPs) in NHHPP is ending on December 31, 2018. This does not mean you are losing your coverage. All current NHHPP members will receive coverage from one of the state's Medicaid Care Management plans. You can pick your plan or a plan will be assigned to you. To learn more, visit https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/ombp/caremgt/index.htm.
- <u>Community engagement</u>, which requires that a person work, volunteer, or be engaged in other qualifying activities, becomes a requirement for continued eligibility and coverage, unless you are exempt.

What is the <u>community engagement</u> requirement?

- By April 30, 2019 you must complete and track 100-hours of qualifying activities per month. Qualifying activities include education, job search, training, caretaking, substance use disorder treatment, and community service (see other side).
- There are exemptions to this requirement. Some exemptions include an individual who has
 a disability, is pregnant, is a parent or caretaker for a child under the age of six, is
 medically frail as certified by a licensed medical professional, or is enrolled in a
 state-certified drug court program (see other side).
- The Department will work with you to determine your community engagement status.
 Individuals will receive a notice in January advising if they are exempt or must complete
 qualifying activities. You will have at least 75 days to request an exemption if you do not
 receive a notice that you are exempt or to start qualifying activities.
- You do not need to do anything today. Please watch your mail for more information about these changes.

Visit **nheasy.nh.gov/#/granite-advantage** for more information. If you do not have a NH EASY account, you can create one at https://nheasy.nh.gov.

ACTIVITIES

Granite Advantage members who have to participate can use a combination of qualifying activities to fulfill their 100-hour community engagement requirements including:

- **Employment:** Having a job.
- Training: Receiving job skills training including vocational training.
- **Education:** Working towards getting a high school diploma or attending an NH accredited college.
- Job Search: Such as looking for a job and attending job readiness work shops.
- Community and Public Service: Doing volunteer community or public service.
- Caregiving: Acting as the caretaker of a person, not in your household.
- Substance Use Disorder Treatment: Receiving outpatient substance use disorder treatment.
- Subject to another work requirement: Complying with a work program such as NHEP or SNAP.

For more information, please visit https://nheasy.nh.gov/#/granite-advantage/participation/activities.

EXEMPTIONS

Some Granite Advantage members may not be able to participate in community engagement. These individuals may be exempt and will not have to complete community engagement activities. Individuals who are exempt include those with the following conditions/situations:

- **Disabled:** Have a disability that prevents you from participating.
- **Pregnant:** Are currently pregnant or within 60 days of the end of a pregnancy.
- **Medically Frail:** Have a physical, mental, or emotional condition that makes it hard to do daily activities, as certified by a licensed medical professional.
- **Temporary Illness:** Are sick, or getting treatment in the hospital, including intensive outpatient (IOP) or residential substance use disorder treatment.
- Parent or Caretaker: Are a parent or caretaker of a child under six or individuals living in the household with needs that require care, as certified by a licensed medical professional.
- State-Certified Drug Court Program: Are participating in a state-certified drug court program, as certified by the Administrative Office of the Superior Court.
- Exempt from another work requirement: Are currently exempt in NHEP, SNAP, or other work program.
- **Employer Sponsored Insurance:** Are enrolled in the Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) Program.

For more information, please visit https://nheasy.nh.gov/#/granite-advantage/participation/exemptions.

GOOD CAUSE

DHHS understands that sometimes things out of your control happen. If something out of the ordinary happens to you during the month that prevents you from completing the hours such as a family emergency, your car breaking down, or you or someone in your household having a serious illness, you may submit a good cause request that can cover some or all the missed hours.

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